The Home Reading Circle

SHOULD IT NOT HAVE BEEN SO?

The Mischief of a Flirt and The Folly of a Fool

Margaret Stewart Sibley, In the Springfield Republican.

A philosopher from another planet (say a Martian for instance) might unavoidably conclude that the girls of the human race (pretty, rose-tinted creatures), were born to be flirts. Nay, he might have had this conclusion forced upon him, had he been observing Leora Bray:on and her ways. That is, unless being of the opposite sex, he might have been so carried away by the little witch's coquetries that he would have lost his head completely; and so have forgotten philosophy.

Nature seemed to have endowed her with an external appearance expressly fitted to charm away the hearts of mankind. Her soft, golden hair curled in rings on the whitest of foreheads. Her eyes, of a beautiful blue, shaded by long, curling lashes, had an appealing, innocent expression which went straight to one's heart, no matter which sex you belonged to. Her little mouth was simply adorable, just made for kissing. She had a slender, graceful form and a sweet, merry laughter; her pensiveness being greatly a matter of eyes and mouth. But hidden under her light-footed good-nature was, if the truth must be told of such a winsome, "bonny wee thing," a stratum of selfish disregard of the rights or wishes of others, when they came in conflict with her own desires. With it all, she was sometimes a bit of a coward. And yet, perhaps it was not cowardice so much as the insistent voice of conscience.

This pink and white, delicious plaything, compounded of kisses, smiles, ribbons and lace, must have had the germ of a soul. Some day perhaps she will find it. But being dowered by Mother Nature for a coquet, what wonder that she began to use her resources early? Her aunt Susanna Brayton, who brought her up from babyhood (for Leora had lost both her parents in infancy), was wont to remark, smiling the while, that she "made eyes at the men before she was out of long clothes!" Be that as it may, she certainly began soon after; and as a consequence she not only won all, and more, of the cakes and kisses good for her, but she also had her own way; which is not good for any one to have,

Aunt Susanna and Uncle Isaac Brayton were childless, and they not only did their duty toward the little orphan, according to their light, but they became also her most devoted slaves, Whether they were really well fitted to wisely train such a "will-o'-the-whisp" is a moot question. At least, she was light of their eyes and the joy their narrow, restricted lives.

Leora returned their love and care in her usual manner, which was to bestow a profuse amount of kisses and pet names; these, she had early learned, not only atoned for past delinquencies, but procured her more indulgence in the future. She had, it is true, a reserve force of pouts and tears when refused, but as this was seldom done, peace usually reigned in the Brayton household.

Upon one point, however, her aunt was resolved to have her way. She kept her in the house sewing long seams and over-and-over stitches, which Leora cordially detested. She was consumed with the desire to be out in the sunshine, at play like other young animals. Aunt Susanna said "wanted Leora to be a little lady

and not a big, brown tom-boy." Another thing also often troubled the worthy pair. They were anxious that their darling should shine at school and at the church to which they belonged. But although she could always learn to sing snatches of love songs, she could not understand fractions; nor could she repeat all of the answers in the catechism correctly.

As she grew older she kept her schoolmates lively with jealousy, on the part of the girls; and rivalry, on the part of the boys. Admonition apparent effect upon her. At the first word of reproof those big, blue eyes would fill with tears; that baby mouth would curve so piteously; and she would look so altogether charming, while protesting that she would "never, never do that again!" How could the reprover go on? As well scold a golden-winged butterfly!

And thus the years rolled away, one after another, until she was 17. Seventeen! And still playing havoc with youthful hearts. In which pastime she was a past mistress. All the prudent, and spiteful, matrons of the neighborhood had prophesied that she would "go through the wood and come out with a crooked stick." She had refused most of the young farmers of the country about her; to say nothing of both of the merchants, the doctor and the preacher of the village of Milton. When, to her adopted parents' delight, and the aforesaid matron's discomfiture, she returned from a fortnight's visit to the town of Corinth, miles away, and announced herself engaged to a certain Alvin

Hungerford of Corinth. There were not wanting those who

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immediately proclaimed their disbelief. But, as if to punish them for their uncharitableness, Mr. Hungerford appeared upon the scene about a week afterward. He was well-to-do and engaged in a fairly prosperous business. He was 40, but looked much younger. Somewhat grave in manner; upright; with a kindly disposition; and to crown

all, very much in love with Leora, To say that the aunt and uncle were delighted, is to put it lightly. They were overwhelmed with their own joyful gratitude. And Leora appeared to emerged from a butterfly and to have become a human soul! Never had she been so bewitching and at the same time lovable. And yet, there were times when she reminded one of nothing so much as a white purring kitten! Three months afterward they were married, and with all the display that she could coax and kiss out of her uncle and aunt. It is needless to say that she looked like a fairy flower in her white wedding gown; and the husband, if not a fairly handsome man, looked so manly and good, and happy, that all the girls envied Leora, while at the same time the disappointed suitwere heaping maledictions upon the happy bridegroom.

And he was a happy bridegroom-for a little while! The new house with its new furniture; the wedding presents; the sense of being her own mistress; in fine the novelty of her new life, so enthralled her that she was all that a young wife should be for a few months, But when the novelty wore off; when her husband ceased to buy every trinket that she begged for; telling her kindly, but firmly, that he could not afford it, there came a coolness in her manner and feelings. At first, the good man was puzzled and distressed; but after a time he began to realize that he had married nothing so much as a pretty flower; and being wiser than some of his fellows, he realized also that he had done it of his own free choice; and he proceeded to adapt himself and abide the consequence, without any outery. But it was hard upon him at times, and he became graver and graver, and Leora pouted and fancied grievances where none existed. What a pretty flower had of cheer and comfort, for a weary, home-loving man, was not very satisfying; but then men seldom think of that in the first infatuation.

It might have been that he could have touched and wakened her better nature, if he had tried; but he did not try; like us all, his own loss loomed so sides he knew as much of her needs, of her inner nature, as if she had been a French doll, and indeed, it might not have availed at that time. Some natures have the soul awakened as by fire. "If Leora had had a child," I hear some one say. But she had none. And remembering the silly mothers of that sort, I am inclined to doubt whether even a child would have been more than a puppet to hang pretty clothes upon.

Unfortunately, it was at this juncture that Mrs. Hungerford made the acquaintance of a young lawyer and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Bently, Rollo Bently possessed more ambition, plus good looks, than he did of worldly gear. His domestic affairs seemed to be of the happiest. Sara, his wife, was a year or two her husband's senior. hough she was not strictly beautiful, she was a refined and agreeable young woman, who seemed eminently bound up in her husband and their two small children. She was a good housekeeper, making ends meet in some wonderful ways and looking like the lady that she was, in her neat and stylish dress. People envied the Bentlys. Rollo had so much talent; his wife was so well suited to him, that rare good fortune was universally predicted for them.

The Hungerfords and they could not well escape acquaintance, living not only in the same town, but on the same street; and they had even a stronger bond to unite them. They were all members of the same church, as well as of several other organizations. Meeting thus frequently, they became somewhat intimate, uncongenial as they might seem to be. Besides, Mr. possessed a horse and buggy. And as Mr. Hungerford had room and to spare in his stable. Bently kept his horse, and after a time his buggy also, in the former's stable. This necessitated frequent visits at informal hours to the Hungerford place, as Rollo preferred to look after his horse himself, even if he could have afforded to hire Mr. Hur.gerford's stable boy to do it for him. Of course this strengthened their intimacy; but Roll, as his intimates called him, was not at all averse to a pleasant chat with the pretty mis-

tress of the modest cottage. She somehow, seemed to have an excuse for being out-of- doors whenever the good-looking, dark-eyed young lawyer called, ostensibly to feed his horse, but often to go for a drive. At morning and Mrs. Hungerford the next. And no one thought it amiss, since Mr. Hungerford was so often away, or too busy. Leora was generally attending to her flowers, and there was usually a transfer of a blossom or two; and, where was the harm, Roll thought, since they were nominally sent to Sara; for so Leora insisted upon calling Mrs. Bently. These two were not thoroughly intimate; there was so little common ground, and they were so very different; still, their in-

tercourse was pleasant enough. Yet perhaps, it was as well that Sara did not see the pretty, copuettish mo-tion of the little hands; the glances of the big blue eyes; the smiles of the rosebud mouth; all of which Leora lavished upon Sara's husband; and all in such an innocent way! It was as well that she did not see the entranced manner with which the husband watched the little fairy! But, to be just to him, he was only self-conscious that he was playing with fire. Besides, was not Mr. Hungerford himself often an amused witness of his wife's kittenish performances. He was relieved to egent.

find that she had recovered her spirits and that these new friends amused her and made her easier to live with. But later, when business took him away on journeys, Leora was left alone with only a servant or two; and of course she was lonely; and, of course, Rollo called oftener and stayed longer, as he was going back and forth on his way

To say that the neighbors began to

gossip over this infatuation is super-

fluous. And yet no one really thought,

nor predicted, any serious consequences. Both parties had too good a standing in the best society. Rollo noticed, with growing irritation, that Sara did not call upon Leora as often as at first that she had ceased sending messages and little friendly, neighborly presents; that she grew pale and grave. If he suspected a cause, he refused to no knolwledge it to himself. He was thought to be, he thought of himself, as "a pretty good fellow." He was not going to do any one wrong. But then there was no sense in being so straight-Inced. Why couldn't one enjoy the friendship of a pretty woman without all the world cackling like a flock of geese? Sara was really beginning to fade; besides, she was so taken up with her children and her housekeeping that she had ceased to be the companthat she used to be. man must have some amusement; and besides, that little witch— at this point he would smile, remembering the little witch's fascinating ways. He never noticed that poor Sara had a harder task to make the ends meet; for he was neglecting his business, as well as his wife, spending hours with Leora when he should have been at work. The poor Sara: My heart aches for her. How she tried to

smile, and smooth out the wrinkle between her eyes, as wives are so often told is their duty to do! But it was a sad smile, and her eyes looked as if tears were not far off. This we own was especially annoying to Rollo. In fact, there is nothing quite so annoying as having one's conscience prick one. He loved the sunshine and merry times, but he never reflected that he had it in his power to make a clear sky, or the reverse, for his wife. Why then, are husbands never admonished to bring home a smile to the weary, iscouraged wife?

It was all a matter of drifting! Roll had never planned nor even foreseen fond of his own likes, and in humoring them he had simply let himself go! Of course nothing bad would come of it. To be sure, people would talk, but he knew enough when to

stop, and take care of his good name! What wonder then that Charley, the Bently steed, had a great deal of attention; or that, when he was given erercise, he was oftener and oftener hitched to the covered buggy, while his master and Mrs. Hungerford took a little drive. At first, it is true, there had been a pretense of asking Sara instead, but she was often busy at the hours when Roll chose to go, and besides Leora had had a slight illness and needed the fresh air, and her husband was away. So all pretense was cast aside and they took their daily drive for Mrs. Hungerford's Had any one charged Roll pine, primary C. Bently with unfaithfulness to his wife, or with even a premeditated idea of it, he would have replied, with indignant sincerity-straightening shapely shoulders, as did one of old

contraband knowledge into the ear of our fair mother, Eve? Do you imagine that Eve thought she would yield to that Eve thought she would yield to temptation? No indeed! She only listened and thought about it!

One warm summer evening Roll stepped off the cars and made his way to his own house. He felt in high good humor, although he found it dark and silent. But he had expected this, for his wife and children were away in another town, spending a few weeks with her parents. His good humor arose principally from the fact that he had a check for a couple of thousand dollars in an inner pocket. To obtain this money, the unexpected legacy of a deceased relative, had been the object of his journey. And his mind was pretty equally divided between the imagined pictures of Sara's brown eyes as they would look lighted up oy gladness when she saw the check, and Leora laughing, like the baby she was, when he would give her the bit of pretty jewelry that she coveted. Now that fortune had smiled a little on him he meant to enjoy it. And let others enjoy it also. Poor Sara had had a hard time, and he had neglected her a little, but now he would make amends.

With this virtuous resolution he entered the dark, lonely house, and removed the grime of travel. Then, jountily humming a line of a sweet little love-song, he went straight to Mr. Hungerford's stable to see how Charley had fared in his absence. That accomplished he went to the house to make a little call on the mistress, and on the master, too, should he chance to be at home

He found Mistress Leora recilning in her hammock, which was swung under the "piazza" roof. She was in a very disconsolate mood. The usual Bently had no stable, although he playful badinage and pretty nothings failed to rouse her for their usual mock warfare. But when Rollo changed his tone, and made tender inquiries, he found that the main cause of her grievance was that her husband had that day departed on a business journey, and had absolutely refused to take her with him. Neither would he promise to bring her a new article of dress which she had set her heart upon.

"He's just horrid to me. He said I was extravagant and thoughtless, and did not care about his business. sure, I don't! And I wish I was dead,

so there!" she sobbed. She looked so bewitching: unlike Sara, whose rose and eyes became red when she cried. The tears looked like crystal dewdrops on a rose leaf on first he impart ally took his wife one Leora's cheek, and her eyes like rainwashed violets. I think that only pretty women should ever cry; since the effect on the masculine mind seems to

be a matter of complexion. Rollo slipped his arm around the trim little walst, and kissed the wet cheek and rosebud mouth so temptingly near his own. It was not what he had meant to do, but he had not foreseen the temptation. I think that the "Old Serpent" must have been hidden among the vines that clambered over the porch. And if so, he surely was whispering in Rollo's ear as well as Leora's.

(To be Concluded.)

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SCHOOL TEACHERS FOR 1897 AND 1898

Same Rules as Heretofore for Their Employment and Payment.

APPOINTED BY BOARD OF CONTROL

New Conditions Added to the Old Rules -- Teachers Having No High School Diplomas Not to Receive Over \$25 Per Month -- Schools to Open on the First Monday in September -- Grades of Teachers to Be Fixed by Superintendent.

Tachers for the school year of 1897 and 1898 were appointed at last night's meeting of the board of control according to the recommendations of the teachers committee. Rules relating to teachers were

adopted as follows: "The rules governing the appointment and payment of teachers shall remain as heretofore, subject to the following conditions:

"Only the primary grades, A, B, and C can hold one session on stormy days and then by permission of the principal, who shall in all cases be held responsible.

"Teachers employed by this board holding simply a normal diploma and having had no high school diploma in addition thereto shall receive not more than \$25 per month for the first year. "We recommend that the public schools of the city open on the first Monday in September, 1897, and close the third Friday in June, 1898. A city institute of teachers shall be held at a time to be fixed by the superintendent. Grades of new teachers shall be fixed upon the opening of school in Septem-

The following were the appointments:

LIST OF TEACHERS.

Scranton high school-G. W. Phillips, principal; F. M. Loomis, A. H. Welles, S. Friedewald, Lea M. Heath, J. U. Wagner, F. B. Little, L. A. Lange, Miss M. H. Gregg, Eliza J. Chase, Mary L. such a state of affairs. But he was Mason, Katherine Haggerty, C. B. Der-Training school-Mary E. Sykes.

principal. No. 2, Twelfth ward-John P. Quinnan, principal grammar B and C; Sarah Melvin, intermediate A; Mary McHale, intermediate B; Kate Kelly, intermediate C; Anna L. Fox. primary A; Nellie Beamish, primary B; Margaret McGrath, primary C; Mary A. Gregory, primary C.

No. 3, Eleventh ward-Lizzie E. Penman principal grammar A; Lillie M. Mackey, grammar A; Jennie C, Wehrum, grammar A; Mrs. D. L. Renniman, grammar B and C; Mary McHale, grammar B and C; Anna Gaughan, grammar B and C; Harriet A. Higgins, prermediate. A; Agrae Nallia, Intermediate. intermediate A; Agnes Nallin, intermediate B; Sarah L. Devine, intermediate C; Rose Clifford, primary A; Mollie Helm, primary B; Margaret Renni-man, primary C; Frances M. McAl-

No. 4, Seventh ward-Mary E. Lynn, principal intermediate C; Margaret T. McAndrew, primary A; Margaret Padden, primary B; Julia M. Blewitt, primary C. No. 5, Tentif ward—Florence E. Col-

"Is thy servant a dog to do this thing?"

Shall we suppose for a moment that the wily serpent did, literally, whisper

No. 5. Tentif ward—Florence E, Colving M. Barnes, intermediate A; Louise M. Barnes, intermediate B; Adelia Watrous, intermediate C; Henrietta Sutto, primary A; Mabel Watrous, primary A;

Intermediate C; primary A; Hannah T. Connery, prim ary B; Mrs. M. W. Torry, principal primary C. Annex-Lucille Coggins, primary C. No. 7, Twentieth ward-Lizzle Joyce, intermediate C and primary A: Katle

G. O'Malley, principal primary B; Elizabeth B. Gaughan, primary C. No. 8, Eleventh ward-John M. Beau mont, principal grammar C and inter-mediate A; Mary A. Pitcher, intermedi-ate B; Anna B. Rankin, intermediate C; Mary A. Scott, primary A; Anna E. Griffin, primary B; Elizabeth Zang,

primary C. Seventh ward-W. R. Graves, principal grammar B and C; Kate E. O'Malley, intermediate A; Nellie L. Moffitt, intermediate B; Bessie Burnett, intermediate C; Sara S. Walsh, primary A; Mary E. Farrell, primary B; Margaret E. Mitchell, primary C. No. 10, Nineteenth ward—M. J. Kettick, primary C.

principal grammar C and inter rick, principal grammar C and intermediate A; Anna C. Malia, intermediate B; Kate T. Lavelle, intermediate C; Maggie M. Murphy, primary A; Mary Shea, primary B; Maggie S. Murphy, primary B; Lizzie C. Snow, primary C; Kate T. Murphy, primary C; Mary A. Coleman, primary C; Lila Frable, Maggaret Durkie. Mary A. Coleman, prim Frable, Margaret Durkin. No. 11, Twentieth ward-J. E. O'Mal-

ley, principal grammar C and inter-mediate A; Tessie Gibbons, inter-mediate B and C; Julia McGuigan, intermediate C and primary A; Ellen Mc-Tighe, primary A; Helen V. Jones, primary B; Ellen F. Donohoe, primary C. Annex-Annie Gibbons, primary Mrs. M. J. Dempsey, primary B and C. No. 12, Eighteenth ward-M. D. Mc-Cawley, principal grammar C: Mary A. Doyle, intermediate A; Mary Caffrey ntermediate B; Kate McCawley, inter-

mediate C; Mary E. Curran, primary A; Kate T. Kearns, primary B; Nellie T. Kirby, primary C; Johanna E. Mc-Caffrey, primary C. No. 13, Fifteenth ward-Henry Kemmerling, principal grammar B and C; Marths Watkins, intermediate A; Elizabeth Lewis, intermediate B; Alice Evans, intermediate C: Nellie Evans, intermediate C; Neille Richards, primary A; Catherine Phillips, primary B; Neily Kelly, primary B; Eliza Price, primary C; Sarah McDonald, primary C; Mary Harris, primary C; Mary C; M

ary C No. 14, Fifth ward-James R. Hughes principal grammar A; Sarah F. Clarke grammar A; Margaret Jamieson, gram mar A and B; Emily Evans, grammar B; Anna Munson, grammar B; Mar; E. Williams, grammar C; Minnie Rin ker, intermediate A; Kate B. Weish intermediate B: Rachel Jones, inter-mediate C: Esther Moses, primary A; Florence Irving, primary A; Nettie Elias, primary B; Jennie Daniels, prim-

ary B; M. Belle Doud, primary C; Sarah G. Williams, primary C; Mary Durkin, annex. No. 16, Fourteenth ward-E. A. Cruttenden, principal grammar C and intenden, principal grammar C and in-termediate A; Mary A. Fitzgibbon, in-termediate B; Eliza J. Jordan, inter-mediate C; Bridget C. Durkin, primary A and B; Rose A. Bechtold, primary B; Mary A. Caveney, primary B and C; Elizabeth R. Hughes, primary B and C; Lizzie Gerrity, primary B and C; Mary Walsh, primary B and C. No. 17. Twenty-first ward—William No. 17, Twenty-first ward-William Edwards, principal Intermediate C

D. Edwards, principal Intermediate C; Minnie S. Gibbons, primary A; Mary A. Walsh, primary B; Mary E. Quinnan, Primary C. No. 18, Fourth ward—John T. Jones No. 18, Fourth ward—John T. Jones, principal grammar B; Cora C. Storm, grammar C; Sarah A. Jones, intermediate A; Agnes V. Murray, intermediate B; Mrs. Josie Knauss, intermediate C; Lizzie A. Evans, primary A: Sara J. Hughes, primary B; B. L. Gibbons, primary C. Annex—Jessie M. Kellow, primary A; Anne Jones, primary B; Grace R. Peck, primary C; Mabel G. Yost, primary C.

primary C. 19. Fourth ward-Josephine D.

primary B; Anna Bro dbent, primary B; Mrs. S. J. Ferber, pi mary C; Elizabeth Wade, primary C; Ida E. Murphy, primary C; Dela Protheroe Evans, No. 20, Twenty-first ward-Mary Kelly, intermediate C; Annie E. Orr,

principal primary, No. 21, Second ward—Marian Bloom, principal grammar C and intermediate principal grammar C and intermediate A; Ida Cahoon, intermediate B; Cora Farnham, intermediate C; E. Dalsy Prendergast, primary A; Margaret Vipond, primary B; Mary E. Messersmith, primary C. Annex—Cora Preaton, primary C; Maud Powers, primary C; Maud Powers, primary C;

mary C. No. 22, Third ward-Lillian O'Donnell, principal primary A and B; Katle L. Mawn, primary B; Catherine Glb-bons, primary C. oons, primary C. No. 23, Third ward—John J. Costello.

principal primary B and C: Katie O'Boyle, primary A: Bridget M. Nor-ton, primary B; Anna L. Barrett, primary C.
No. 24, Second ward—Mary Powell, principal primary A and intermediate C; Rose Mechan, primary B; Mary Shields, primary C. No. 25, First ward—William E. Schimpff, principal grammar A: Net-

tie Nye, grammar A; A. Max Benedict, grammar B: Florence Walker, gram-mar C; E. Grace Laurent, intermediate mar C; E. Grace Laurent, intermediate A; Annette R. Davies, intermediate B; Frances Atkinson, intermediate Amrs. Mary A. Tierney, primary A; Agnes A. Dolphin, primary A; Hannah M. Williams, primary B; Ida M. Christmas, primary B; Alice Evans, primary C; M. Claudia Williams, primary C.

No. 26, First ward-Mrs. Martha M. Jones, principal intermediate B and C: Elizabeth Sikman, primary A; Elizabeth Williams, primary B; Annie J. Roche, primary B; Nellie Pickett, primary C; Teresa M. Blewitt, pri-

mary C. No. 27, Second ward—J. B. Hawker, principal grammar A and B; Miss Frances Conner, grammar A and B; Grace Hicks, grammar C; Minnie M. Driesen, intermediate A; Mary A. Davis, intermediate B; Ella V. Roney, intermediate C; Louise Brainard, pri-mary A; Jennie M. Bonear, primary B; Nellie Maloney, primary B; Anna L. Corbett, primary C; Bessie Jones, pri-

mary C. No. 28, Thirteenth ward-H. L. Burdick, principal grammar A, B and C: Maggie S. Moffatt, intermediate A; Lois Sancton, intermediate B; Kath-ryn Hicks, primary A; Helen L. Hurl-butt, primary B; Mary E. Monies, Es-

ther Smith, primary C.
No. 29, Sixth ward-P. F. Durkin,
principal intermediate B and C; Miss B. A. Carroll, primary A; Sara Clc-herty, primary B; Mary A. Freeman, primary C; Ella T. Murray, primary Nineteenth ward-Maggle

No. 30, Nineteenth ward-Maggle O'Donnell, principal grammar C and intermediate A; Sarah A. O'Donnell, intermediate A; Ella C. Jordan, intermediate B; Elizabeth McManus, pri-mary A; Ella R. Dougherty, primary B; Mary A. Morrow, primary C; Eliz-abeth Kelly, primary C. abeth Kelly, primary C.
No. 31, Fifth ward-D. W. Phillips

principal grammar C and intermediate A; Mary Campbell, intermediate A; Margaret R. Davies, intermediate C; Martha Jones, intermediate C; primary A; Jennie C. Durkin, primary B; Katherine Price, primary C; Bina J. Langan, primary C; Bridget J. Judge, primary C. primary C

primary C.

No. 32, Fifteenth ward—H. L. Morgan, principal grammar B and C; Lizzie Warner, intermediate A; Margaret Lewis, intermediate B; Kate Lewis, intermediate C; Sara O'Compr. primary A; Mary T. Maghran, primary B; Annie Davis, primary B and C; Martha Vaughan primary C. Anney B; Annie Davis, primary B and Martha Vaughan, primary C. Annex-Kate Mullen, principal primary C; Mary Ruddy, primary C. No. 33, Ninth ward-D. A. Stone, principal grammar A; E. M. Raub, grammar B; Anna E. Chase, gram-

mar C; Kate McMeans, intermediate A; Julia H. Pettigrew, intermediate A: Julia H. Pettigrew, intermediate B; Miriam Miller, intermediate B; Anna E. Boyd, intermediate C; Mrs. Kate H. Greensted, primary A; Mary A. Knapp, primary B; S. Catherine Pollock, primary B; Jessie M. Gay, primary C; Ida A. Snyder, primary C. No. 34, Thirteenth ward-Emily A. Brainard, principal primary C; Kate

A. Smith, primary B.

No. 35, Seventeenth ward—Lizzie E.
Mackey, principal grammar A and B;
Sara M. Ruddy, grammar C; Sophia
B, Gay, intermediate A; Cora B, Gernon, intermediate B; Emma S, Rhodes, intermediate C; Mame G. Kelly, pri-mary A; Clara Niemeyer, primary B;

mary A; Clara Niemeyer, primary B;
Nellie A. Webb, primary C.
No. 36, Sixteenth ward—Elizabeth R.
Stephenson, principal grammar A;
Letitia F. Cliff, grammar B; Mary
Porcher, grammar C; Teressa Smith,
intermediate A: Auna E. Amsden,
intermediate C; Miriam Wormser, primary A; Grace E. Rose, primary A;
Gertrude O. DeGraw primary B: Eva Gertrude O. DeGraw, primary B; Eva G. Short, primary B; Marion Dyer, primary C; Ella B. Osland, primary Marion Dyer, Margaret Schimpff.

Hurley, principal primary C; Kate T McGroarty, ungraded.

EDUCATORS WILL

Iwenty Thousand Expected at the Milwaukee Convention--- Most Important la the History of Education.

During the second week in July Milwaukee will be the Mecca of the teachers of the United States. Then the city will be filled with educators representing every class, from the kindergarten to the university. Then will be held the convention of the National Educational association, to whose sessions pedagogues in every part of the country are looking forward with interest.

From present indications the convention will be the greatest gathering of educators the world has seen. It is expected that at least 20,000 men and women interested in education will attend. The reports received from every part of the country tell of a remarkable interest in the convention, and the assembling of all of the brightest minds engaged in the work of education cannot fail to have an important effect on the progress of education in the United States.

THE SPEAKERS.

From every section of the country will come the greatest minds, who will deliver addresses on important educa-tional topics. For instance, Rev. Lyman Abbott, D. D., pastor of Plymouth church, Brooklyn, and editor of the Outlook, will discuss "The Democracy of Learning;" Dr. Alexander Groham Bell, of Washington, D. C., will talk on "The Education of the Deaf;" Superintendent James M. Greenwood, of Kansas City, Mo., "Shall American History be Taught in Cross Sections or in Parallels?" Superintendent Newton C. Dougherty, ex-president N. E. A., Peoria, Iil., "The Study of History;" Superintendent Carroll G. Pearse, of Omaha, Neb., "Is the Heart of This People Changed Toward the Schools?" Bishop John H. Vincent, of Topeka, Kan., "Tom and His Teacher;" Dr. Richard G. Boone, principal of Ypsilanti normal school, Michigan, "Lines of Growth in Maturing:" Albert E. Winship, editor of the Journal of Education, Boston, "Educational Leadership;" Dr. James M. Green, principal of state normal school, Trenton, N. J., "Data of Method;" Edwin A. Alder-Lees, principal grammar C and intermediate A; Hattle R. Fellows, intermediate C; Mary Beamish, primary A; Mamie E. Morgan, primary A; Mary L. Flynn, primary B; Agnes Evans, William R. Harper, Chicago University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, "The Christian State;" Oscar T. Corson, state commissioner of common schools, Ohlo, "Extremes in Education;" President William R. Harper, Chicago University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, "The Christian State;" Oscar T. Corson, state commissioner of common schools, Ohlo, William R. Harper, Chicago University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, "The Christian State;" Oscar T. Corson, state commissioner of common schools, Ohlo, William R. Harper, Chicago University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, "The Christian State;" Oscar T. Corson, state commissioner of common schools, Ohlo, William R. Harper, Chicago University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, "The Christian State;" Oscar T. Corson, state commissioner of common schools, Ohlo, William R. Harper, Chicago University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, "The Christian State;" Oscar T. Corson, state commissioner of common schools, Ohlo, William R. Harper, Chicago University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, "The Christian State;" Oscar T. Corson, state commissioner of common schools, Ohlo, William R. Harper, Chicago University of North Carolina, Chicago University man, president of University of North

"Waste in Education;" Gilman H, Tucker, of New York, "Education From a Publisher's Standpoint;" Mrs. Ellen M. Henrotin, of Chicago, "The Co-operation of Women's Clubs in the State and Public Schools;" Clinton Scollard, of Clinton, N. Y., poem, "The March of the Ideal;" President James H. Canfield, Ohio State university, "Winners of Men." "The Needs of Rural Schools" will be discussed in their various phases by Henry Sabin, state superintendent of public instruc-tion of Iowa; William T. Harris, United States commissioner of education; Dr. D. L. Kiehle, of the University of Minresota, and Dr. B. A. Hinsdale the University of Michigan. Miss Estelle Reel, state superintendent of Wyoming; Miss Jane Adams, of Hull House; Professor James L. Hughes, of Toronto, Canada, will speak upon sub

jects yet to be announced. This is the fortieth year of the association and its thirty-sixth annual meeting. The National Educational Association was organized in Philadelphia in 1857, under the name of the National Teachers' Association, by leading teachers from various sections of the country. James L. Enos was chairman of the first meeting. William E. Sheldon its first secretary and A. J. Rickoff its first treasurer. The name was changed in 1870 to National Edu-

cational Association. At the meeting held in Cleveland in 1870 the constitution was amended so as to admit of combination with two other associations, the American Normai association, which was organized in 1864, and the National Superintendents' association organized in 1865. Until that year all educational topics were discussed before the association as a body, but with the growth in numbers and the specialization of education it became necessary to divide the work into departments, and this is the plan now pursued. On Feb. 4, 1888, the association was incorporated.

The association has held thirty-three meetings, as follows; Two at Philadelphia, 1857, 1879, one at Cincinnati, 1858; Washington, 1859; Buffalo, 1860; Chicago, 1863, 1887; Ogdensburg, 1864; Harrisburg, 1865; Indianapolis, 1866; Nashville, 1868, 1869; Trenton, 1869; Cleveland, 1870; St. Louis, 1871; Boston, 1872; Elmira,1873; Detroit, 1874; Minneapolis, 1875; Baltimore, 1876; Louisville, 1877; Chautauqua, 1880; Atlanta, 1881; four at Saratoga, 1882, 1883, 1892; Madison, 1884; Topeka, 1886; San Francisco, 1888; St. Paul, 1890; Toronto, 1891; with International Congresses of Education, Chicago, 1893; Asbury Park, 1894. There were no meetings in 1861, 1862, 1867, C. E. ATWOOD. MANAGER,

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